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| Applic. No. | : | 10/701,836                    | Confirmation No.: | 7069 |
| Inventor    | : | Wilhelm Schneider             |                   |      |
| Filed       | : | November 5, 2003              |                   |      |
| Title       | : | Carrier Part with Fixing Bolt |                   |      |
| TC/A.U.     | : | 3632                          |                   |      |
| Examiner    | : | Kimberly T. Wood              |                   |      |

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RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA, 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated October 6, 2005, in which the Examiner required an election of species, applicants herewith Species I of Figs. 1 - 3, 6 and 7 for prosecution at this time. Claims 19, 20, 22 - 42 and 44 read on the elected species of Figs. 1 - 3, 6 and 7.

In view of the foregoing, the issuance of an Action on the merits, and the allowance of all of the claims are solicited.

Petition for extension is herewith made. The extension fee for response within a period of three (3) months pursuant to Section 1.136(a) in the amount of \$1020.00 in accordance with Section 1.17 is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any other fees, which might be due with respect to Sections 1.16 and 1.17 to the Deposit Account of Lerner Greenberg Stermer LLP, No. 12-1099.

Respectfully submitted,

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